

UNIVERSITY GENERAL EDUCATION COUNCIL – 2010-2011

Minutes – February 11, 2011

Dean's Conference Room in the Bible Building – 11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Present: Carisse Berryhill, John Ehrke, John Neill, Greg Straughn, Jeff Haseltine, Mark Cullum, Kristina Campos, K. Cukrowski, Rusty Towell, Jeanene Reese, Dwayne Towell, Kitty Wasemiller, Bart Herridge (eo), Dave Merrell (eo), Tom Milholland (eo),

Absent: Jeanine Varner, Mikee Delony, Kenny Jones, Susan Kehl, Glenn Pemberton, Nicki Rippee, Sheila Delony, Aaron Escobedo (eo), Dwayne Harapnuik (eo), Eric Gumm (eo), Jean-Noel Thompson (eo), Keri Gray (eo)

Guests: Paul Morris

Meeting started at 11:57 a.m. with an opening prayer by Greg Straughn.

Motion to approve minutes; seconded; all in favor; none opposed; 1 abstained; motion passes

The proposal for MATW 120/020 and 130/030 is tabled as it was not presented in the meeting.

The CORE 320 new course syllabus was presented and the new course application will follow. The title "Transcendence" should be changed. Title suggestions: "Discovery of Truth and Meaning" and "Quest for Meaning".

Kristina Campos motion to change title to "Discovery and Creation of Meaning". Mark Cullum seconded, but motion was not voted on.

Objectives 2 and 3 could be collapsed and syllabus could be presented with 5 objectives instead of 6 objectives. General education science pre-requisite should be added and the description should be re-written. R. Towell would like to get other professors from his department involved in teaching. "Discover" should be added to the first objective to read, "Demonstrate a critical awareness of the main ways human beings discover, create, and assign meaning (such as hermeneutics, linguistics, semiotics, natural meaning)." The new course syllabus does not really raise the question of knowing God as much as it should and the course should have a science pre-requisite. The measurement of number 4, demonstrate a conceptual understanding of the nature and limits of scientific inquiry, should be more specific like the others. SACS may have an issue with an objective specifically addressing philosophy.

COMS 211 tabled until next meeting in which discussion will continue with page 2.

T. Milholland and the UGEC will meet with the SACS on-site committee during the April visit. UGEC members should review the Focused Report to become knowledgeable concerning areas of non-compliance.

Meeting adjourned at 12:55 pm.